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SUBJECT: PROPOSED SENIOR NASA OFFICIALS' VISIT TO JAPAN
IN JULY

REF: TOKYO 06388

1. JAPANESE SCICOUNS NAGARA, ON BEHALF OF THE MINISTRY OF
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND THE SPACE ACTIVITIES COMMISSION,
HAS EXTENDED INVITATION TO THE ADMINISTRATOR AND DEPUTY
ADMINISTRATOR OF NASA TO VISIT JAPAN IN MID-JULY FOR THE
PRIMARY PURPOSE OF REVIEWING WITH APPROPRIATE SENIOR LEVEL
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS POSSIBILITIES FOR COOPERATION
IN SPACE. PRIMARY FOCUS WOULD BE ON SPACE SCIENCES AND
SPACE APPLICATIONS INCLUDING FUTURE SHUTTLE AND SPACELAB
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2. NASA BELIEVES SUCH DISCUSSIONS SHOULD INCLUDE AT LEAST
OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET WITH KEY OFFICIALS OF THE SPACE
ACTIVITIES COMMISSION (SAC), SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY
(STA), MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE, INSTI-
TUTE OF SPACE AND AERONAUTICAL SCIENCES (ISAS) OF UNIVERSITY
OF TOKYO, AND OFFICIALS OF APPROPRIATE INDUSTRIAL ORGANI-

ZATIONS IF CONVENIENT.

3. NORMAN TERRELL, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND ROBERT J. MCCORMICK, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO ADMINISTRATOR, ARE INCLUDED IN NASA DELEGATION. VISITORS WOULD DEPART WASHINGTON FRIDAY, JULY 14 ARRIVING TOKYO AFTERNOON SATURDAY, JULY 15 MAKING POSSIBLE BRIEF PARTICIPATION IN THE OPENING CEREMONIES OF THE JSS NATIONAL SPACE EXHIBITION (REFTEL 06388) IN TOKYO ON JULY 16. NASA PARTY WOULD DEPART JAPAN EVENING OF JULY 21.

4. NASA ENVISIONS POSSIBLE PROGRAM FOR WEEK IN JAPAN AS FOLLOWS: SUNDAY, JULY 16: PM -- ATTEND OPENING OF JSS SPACE EXHIBITION (ABOUT TWO HOURS); MONDAY, JULY 17: AM -- MEET WITH AMBASSADOR, MEET WITH SCIENCE MINISTER, MEET WITH SPACE ACTIVITIES COMMISSION; PM -- PRESENTATION ON NASA PROGRAM TO OFFICIALS OF AGENCIES INTERESTED IN SPACE; TUESDAY, JULY 18: AM -- MEET WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE, MEET WITH DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF SPACE AND AERONAUTICAL SCIENCE OF UNIVERSITY OF TOKYO, PM -- MEET WITH NATIONAL SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF JAPAN; WEDNESDAY, JULY 19: AM -- VISIT TSUKUBA SPACE CENTER, PM -- DEPART TOKYO BY TRAIN FOR NAGOYA; THURSDAY, JULY 20: AM -- VISIT MITSUBISHI AEROSPACE FACILITIES, PM -- DEPART NAGOYA BY TRAIN FOR KYOTO; LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FRIDAY, JULY 21: AM -- VISIT GOVERNMENT OR INDUSTRY FACILITIES, AS APPROPRIATE, PM -- DEPART KYOTO BY TRAIN FOR TOKYO; DEPART TOKYO ON EVENING FLIGHT TO AUSTRALIA.

5. EMBASSY COMMENTS ARE INVITED ON THE INDICATED PROGRAM.

6. NASA HAS DISCUSSED PROPOSED PROGRAM WITH SCICOUNS NAGARA, WHO CONSULTED STA PRIOR TO EXTENDING INVITATION. NASA REQUESTS EMBASSY CONTACT APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO COMMENCE FORMAL ESTABLISHMENT OF MUTUALLY DESIRABLE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSIONS AND ITINERARY FOR VISIT.

7. EMBASSY SHOULD WORK EXCLUSIVELY WITH OFFICIALS OF GOJ IN PLANNING PROGRAM OF SUBSTANTIVE CONSULTATIONS. NASA HOPES ONE APPROPRIATE AGENCY SUCH AS STA WILL ASSUME ROLE AS COORDINATOR OF ALL MEETINGS WITH AND VISITS TO JAPANESE

ORGANIZATIONS. IT IS INTENDED THAT NASA OFFICIALS' ATTENDANCE AT JSS EXHIBITION OPENING WILL BE ONLY NASA INVOLVEMENT WITH JSS ACTIVITIES WHILE THE NASA DELEGATION IS IN JAPAN. NEWSOM

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